

Meeting called to order at 7:33 pm

Attendees:

Melissa, Karen, Rachel, Linda, Danielle, Tim, Millicent, Mark

Tonight's Agenda was approved.

Radio communication was reviewed. In order to have coverage throughout the City, a second repeater, antenna and cable are needed. We will try to mount this on the tallest downtown building available. The ArtSpace/Artists Lofts building is a possibility, as is the City owned building on Rhode Island Ave. where Code Enforcement is located.

Rachel made the motion and Karen seconded, to purchase the repeater-antenna-cable package, which was approved unanimously.

Several Shelter Field Guides have been purchased. A motion was made by Rachel, and seconded by Karen, to request reimbursement from the City. Approved unanimously.

The County OEM has offered to facilitate "Train the Trainer" training. Because the OEM training track record is spotty and sub par, we are researching other avenues to obtain this training for two to four CERT members.

Melissa, Tim and Mark led a discussion of the Mass Care Training event that was held December 16 by the Southern Maryland Red Cross. Mt. Rainier attendees were: Melissa, Tim, Valerie Silensky and Mark. The training came up short of expectations. There was no hands-on element of the training.

The Open Meetings Act was discussed. At least two CERT members must take the training. Several expressed interest. Melissa will send out the link.

Upcoming Trainings

FEMA 406 may be taken on line any time.

A CPR training by OEM and hosted by Mt. Rainier CERT for up to 25 people at the Bunker Hill Fire house will occur on Wednesday, January 24 at 7pm.

A combined stop the bleed and CPR training will be held in February or March for CERT members at \$65 per person. Rachel moved and Tim seconded that these fees be paid from CERT's budget.

The City's Evacuation Plan, or lack thereof, was raised by Rachel. She observed that people should at least be informed as to where to look for information.

Melissa offered a draft budget proposal for next year, which was discussed and modified.

Tim moved and Melissa seconded a motion to pay for another year's subscription for our website.

Melissa will submit our budget proposal to the City prior to the December 29 deadline.

The meeting adjourned at 8:55 pm.